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In re Application of

Yoke Min Sin et al

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Group Art Unit: 1645

Examiner: L. Lee

For: A RECOMBINANT VACCINE AGAINST FISH INFECTIOUS DISEASES

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Honorable Assistant Commissioner
For Patents
Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the office action dated March 6, 2000. It is not believed that any fee is due with the filing of this document. However, if there is a fee, kindly charge the same to the undersigned attorneys' deposit account No 07-1337. It is not believed that any extension of time is required. However, if an extension is required to maintain pendency, kindly consider this to be a petition therefore.

In the outstanding office action, the examiner has required restriction as between four allegedly patentably distinct inventions. In response to this requirement, applicants hereby elect the subject matter of group I, that is a vaccine, for immediate prosecution. At present claims 1-8 are directed to this subject matter.

Early action on this matter is solicited.

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